# TOWNSHIP OF AUTRAIN, MICHIGAN FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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Honorable Supervisor and Members of the Township Board of Trustees Township of AuTrain, Michigan

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of AuTrain, Michigan, as of and for the year ended March 31, 2008, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township of AuTrain, Michigan's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of AuTrain, Michigan, as of March 31, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 27, 2008, on our consideration of the Township of AuTrain, Michigan's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and important for assessing the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 5 through 9 and 26 through 28, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Honorable Supervisor and Members of the Township Board of Trustees Township of AuTrain, Michigan

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Township of AuTrain, Michigan's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund financial statements have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC Certified Public Accountants

October 27, 2008

#### Township of AuTrain, Michigan

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

Our discussion and analysis of the Township of AuTrain's financial performance provides an overview of the Township's financial activities for the year ended March 31, 2008. Please read it in conjunction with the financial statements, which begin on page 10.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Net assets for the Township as a whole increased by \$39,656 as a result of this year's operations.
- During the year, the Township had expenses for governmental activities that were \$372,767.
- The General Fund reported a net fund balance of \$246,480. Net income was \$129,136 higher than the forecasted decrease of \$109,887.

#### USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities (on pages 10 and 11) provide information about the activities of the Township as a whole and present a longer-term view of the Township's finances. Fund financial statements start on page 12. For governmental activities, these statements tell how these services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for the future spending. Fund financial statements also report the Township's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the Township's most significant funds. The remaining statements provide financial information about activities for which the Township acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of those outside the government.

#### Reporting the Township as a Whole

Our analysis of the Township as a whole begins on page 6. One of the most important questions asked about the Township's finances is "Is the Township as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities report information about the Township as a whole and about its activities in a way that helps answer this question. These statements include *all* assets and liabilities using the *accrual basis of accounting*, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid. These two statements report the Township's *net assets* and changes in them. You can think of the Township's net assets - the difference between assets and liabilities - as one way to measure the Township's financial health, or *financial position*. Over time, *increases or decreases* in the Township's net assets are one indicator of whether its *financial health* is improving or deteriorating. You will need to consider other non-financial factors, however, such as changes in the Township's patron base and the condition of the Township's capital assets, to assess the *overall financial health* of the Township.

In the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, we divide the Township into one kind of activity:

 Governmental Activities – Most of the Township's basic services are reported here, including the legislative, elections, public safety, public works, recreation and culture, community and economic development and general services and administration. Property taxes, charges for services and state sources fund most of these activities.

#### **Reporting the Township's Most Significant Funds**

Our analysis of the Township's major funds begins on page 8. The fund financial statements begin on page 12 and provide detailed information on the most significant funds – not the Township as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by State law and by bond covenants. However, the Township Board establishes many other funds to help it control and manage money for particular purposes or to show that it is meeting legal responsibilities for using taxes, grants, and other money.

• Governmental funds – Most of the Township's basic services are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can be readily converted into cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the Township's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Township's programs. We describe the relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities) and governmental funds in a reconciliation which follows the fund financial statements.

#### The Township as Trustee

The Township is the trustee, or fiduciary, for assets that – because of a trust arrangement – can be used only for the trust beneficiaries. All of the Township's fiduciary activities are reported in separate Statements of Fiduciary Net Assets on page 16. We exclude these activities from the Township's other financial statements because the Township cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

The Township is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes.

#### The Township as a Whole

Table I provides a summary of the Township's net assets as of March 31, 2008 and March 31, 2006.

Table 1

Id	IDIE I							
Net Assets								
	Governmental	Governmental						
	Activities	Activities						
	3/31/08	3/31/06						
Current & Other Assets	\$678,080	\$689,861						
Capital Assets, net	763,167	815,962						
Total Assets	1,441,247	1,505,823						
Current Liabilities	17,674	15,642						
Non-current Liabilities	42,744	61,213						
Total Liabilities	60,418	76,855						
Net Assets:	_							
Invested in capital assets,								
net of related debt	710,966	746,163						
Restricted	-	-						
Unrestricted (deficit)	669,863	682,805						
Total Net Assets	\$1,380,829	\$1,428,968						
	<u> </u>	·						

Net assets of the Township's governmental activities stood at \$1,380,829. *Unrestricted* net assets—the part of net assets that could be used to finance day-to-day activities without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation, or other legal requirements stood at \$669,863.

The \$669,863 in unrestricted net assets of governmental activities represents the accumulated results of all past years' operations. The operating results of the General Fund will have a significant impact on the change in unrestricted net assets from year to year.

The results of this year's operations for the Township as a whole are reported in the Statement of Activities (see Table 2).

Table 2 Change in Net Assets

Change in Net Assets					
	Gove	rnmental	Gove	rnmental	
	Activities			tivities	
	3/:	31/08	3/	31/06	
Revenues:					
Program Revenues:					
Charges for services	\$	15,351	\$	10,504	
Operating grants and contributions		2,393		52,387	
General Revenues:					
Property taxes		273,391		241,840	
State sources		80,674		81,875	
Interest and miscellaneous		40,614		25,294	
Total Revenues		412,423		411,900	
Program Expenses:					
Legislative		5,541		5,541	
General services & administration		82,175		113,226	
Public safety		79,248		70,205	
Public Works		133,098		120,703	
Community and Economic Development		10,496		11,050	
Recreation and Culture		14,607		15,065	
Other		14,694		5,668	
Debt Service		3,030		5,602	
Unallocated Depreciation		29,878		54,875	
Total Expenses		372,767		401,935	
Excess (deficiency) before transfers		39,656		9,965	
Transfers					
Increase (decrease) in net assets		39,656		9,965	
Net assets, beginning, as restated	1	,341,173		1,419,003	
Net Assets, Ending	\$ 1	,380,829	<u></u> \$ ^	1,428,968	

The Township's total revenues were \$412,423. The total cost of all programs and services was \$372,767, creating an increase in net assets of \$39,656.

#### **Governmental Activities**

The Governmental Activities experienced an increase in net assets for the year of \$39,656. Key reasons for the change in net assets are as follows:

- Net increase in governmental fund balances of \$53,605
- Depreciation charged to expenditures of \$(29,878)
- Capital outlay reclassified to Capital asset of \$6,918
- Repayment of principal from expenditure to long term liabilities of \$9,011

#### THE TOWNSHIP'S FUNDS

As the Township completed the year, its governmental funds (as presented in the balance sheet on page 11 reported a *combined* fund balance of \$669,863 a increase of \$53,605 from the beginning of the year.

Governmental Funds increased by \$53,605. This is primarily due to Fire Fund tax levy exceeding current year expenditures, while the Rubbish Collection Fund tax levy did not cover collection fees.

#### **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

Over the course of the year, the Township Board made no revisions to the budget.

Revenues had a budget of \$144,338 causing a positive variance of \$29,672. This was due to higher property tax revenue than expected, as well as higher interest.

Expenditures had a budget of \$254,225 and actual expenditures of \$154,761, causing a positive variance of \$99,464. The main reason was over budgeting \$51,600 in general governmental activities, as well as \$23,670 for road improvement projects that were not completed during the year.

#### **CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION**

#### **Capital Assets**

At the end of fiscal year 2006, the Township had \$815,962 invested in a variety of capital assets including land, buildings, and other equipment. (See table 3 below)

Table 3
Capital Assets at Year-End (Net of Depreciation)

Capital Assets at Teal-End (Net of Depreciation)					
	Governmental	Governmental			
	Activities – 2008	Activities – 2006			
Land	\$360,000	\$360,000			
Land improvements	-	-			
Buildings and improvements	318,417	336,892			
Equipment and furnishings	84,750	119,070			
	\$763,167	\$815,962			

The Township recorded depreciation expense of \$29,878 for 2008 and had a building improvement project of \$6,918 paid from general fund equity balance.

#### Debt

At end of the fiscal year, the Township of AuTrain, Michigan had \$52,201 in leases outstanding as depicted in Table 4 below.

	l able 4						
Outstanding Debt at Year-End							
	Governmental	Governmental					
	Activities - 2008	Activities - 2006					
	·						
Fire Truck # 2	\$52,201	\$69,798					
Total debt	\$52,201	\$69,798					

The Township of AuTrain, Michigan had no new debt in the current year and made principal payments of \$9,011.

#### **ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS**

In preparing the Township's budget for the year ending March 31, 2009 basically, the budget is the same for the year ending March 31, 2008, with a few adjustments for changing conditions.

#### CONTACTING THE TOWNSHIP'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the Township's finances and to show the Township's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Township of AuTrain, P.O. Box 33, AuTrain, Michigan 49806.

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#### STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

#### March 31, 2008

		vernmental Activities
ASSETS:		
Current assets:	<b>c</b>	004.070
Cash and Cash Equivalents Accounts Receivable	\$	624,073 45,238
Prepaid Expenses		45,236 8,769
Tropala Experiees		0,700
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		678,080
Non-current assets:		
Land		360,000
Capital Assets		1,193,410
Less Accumulated Depreciation		(790,243)
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		763,167
TOTAL ASSETS		1,441,247
LIABILITIES: Current liabilities:		
Accounts Payable		8,217
Current Portion of Bond/Notes Payable		9,457
Other Current Liabilities		
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		17,674
Non-current liabilities:		
Non-current Portion of Bond/Notes Payable		42,744
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		42,744
TOTAL LIABILITIES		60,418
NET ASSETS:		=40.000
Invested in Capital Assets Net of Related Debt Restricted:		710,966
Debt Service		_
Unrestricted		669,863
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$	1,380,829

#### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

			Program Revenue					
Function / Programs	Expenses		Charges for Services		Operating Grants and Contributions		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets	
Governmental Activities:								
Legislative	\$	5,541	\$	-	\$	-	\$	(5,541)
Judicial		-		-		-		-
General Government		82,175		3,396		-		(78,779)
Public Safety		79,248		11,955		-		(67,293)
Public Works		133,098		-		2,393		(130,705)
Health and Welfare		-		-		-		-
Community and Economic Development		10,496		-		-		(10,496)
Recreation and Culture		14,607		-		-		(14,607)
Other Functions		14,694		-		-		(14,694)
Capital Outlay		-		-		-		-
Debt Service		3,030		-		-		(3,030)
Unallocated - Depreciation		29,878				<u>-</u>		(29,878)
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		372,767		15,351		2,393		(355,023)
	Gene	ral revenues:						
	Tax	es						273,391
	Unr	estricted State	sources	;				80,674
		rest and invest	tment ea	ırnings				21,908
	Mis	cellaneous						18,706
	Tra	nsfers in (Out)						
		TOTAL (	GENERA	AL REVENUES	AND TR	ANSFERS		394,679
				CHANG	ES IN NET	T ASSETS		39,656
	Net A	ssets , April 1						1,341,173
				NET A	SSETS, N	IARCH 31	\$	1,380,829

#### **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

#### **BALANCE SHEET**

#### March 31, 2008

		 General Fund	 Fire Fund	-	Rubbish ollection Fund	 Total
ASSETS: Cash and Cash Equivalents Accounts Receivable Delinquent Taxes Receivable Due From Other Funds		\$ 217,209 18,926 5,657	\$ 269,115 - 15,074	\$	137,749 - 5,581	\$ 624,073 18,926 26,312
Prepaid Expenses		 4,688	 4,081			 8,769
	TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 246,480	\$ 288,270	\$	143,330	\$ 678,080
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANG	CES:					
LIABILITIES: Accounts Payable		\$ 	\$ 	\$	8,217	\$ 8,217
то	TAL LIABILITIES	-	 		8,217	 8,217
FUND BALANCES: Unreserved		246,480	 288,270		135,113	 669,863
TOTAL F	UND BALANCES	 246,480	288,270		135,113	 669,863
	IABILITIES AND JND BALANCES	\$ 246,480	\$ 288,270	\$	143,330	\$ 678,080

### RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

#### March 31, 2008

Total Fund Balances for Governmental Funds		\$ 669,863
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.		
Land	360,000	
Cost of capital assets	1,193,410	
Accumulated depreciation	(790,243)	
	, , ,	763,167
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and are not reported in the funds. Long-term liabilities at year-end consist of:		
Notes payable - Current	9,457	
Notes payable - Long-Term	42,744	
	·	(52,201)
NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	·	\$ 1,380,829

#### **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

#### STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

		neral und		Fire Fund	Rubbish ollection Fund	Total
REVENUES:					 <u>.</u>	 
Taxes	\$	69,987	\$	149,433	\$ 53,971	\$ 273,391
Licenses and Permits		-		-	-	-
Federal Sources State Sources		- 83,067		-	-	83,067
Contributions From Local Sources		03,007		-	-	03,007
Charges for Services		3,396		11,955	_	15,351
Fines and Forfeitures		-		-	_	-
Interest and Rents		8,692		7,216	6,000	21,908
Other Revenue		8,868		9,225	613	18,706
TOTAL REVENUES		174,010		177,829	 60,584	 412,423
EXPENDITURES:						
Legislative		5,541		_	_	5,541
Judicial		-		_	_	5,541
General Government		82,175		_	_	82,175
Public Safety		-		79,248	-	79,248
Public Works		20,330		· -	112,768	133,098
Health and Welfare		-		-	-	-
Community and Economic Development		10,496		-	-	10,496
Recreation and Culture		14,607		-	-	14,607
Other Functions		21,612		-	-	21,612
Capital Outlay		-		-	-	-
Debt Service				12,041	 	 12,041
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		154,761		91,289	 112,768	 358,818
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER						
(UNDER) EXPENDITURES		19,249		86.540	(52,184)	53,605
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OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):						
Operating Transfer In		-		-	-	-
Operating Transfer (Out)		-			 	 
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	 -	 
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		19,249		86,540	(52,184)	53,605
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		227,231		201,730	 187,297	 616,258
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	246,480	\$	288,270	\$ 135,113	\$ 669,863

### RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds	\$ 53,605
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeded capital outlays in the current period.  Depreciation expense Capital outlays  (29,878) 6,918	(22,960)
Repayment of bond/note principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets.	 9,011
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	\$ 39,656

#### FIDUCIARY FUNDS

#### STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS

#### March 31, 2008

	Agency Fund		
ASSETS: Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	5,748	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	5,748	
LIABILITIES:  Due to Other Funds  Due to Other Governmental Units	\$	- 5,748	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	5,748	

### TOWNSHIP OF AUTRAIN, MICHIGAN NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2008

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The financial statements of the Township have been prepared in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations). Governments are also required to follow the pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued through November 30, 1989 (when applicable) that do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The more significant of these accounting policies established in GAAP and used by the Township are described below.

#### (1) REPORTING ENTITY

The Township's financial statements present the Township (the primary government). In evaluating the Township as a reporting entity, management has addressed all potential component units (traditionally separate reporting units) for which the Township may or may not be financially accountable and, as such, be includable within the Township's financial statements.

(2) **BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** The Township's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the Township as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the Township's major funds). Both the government-wide and fund financial statements categorize primary activities as governmental. The Township's legislative, public works, public safety, community and economic development, recreation and culture and general services and administration are classified as governmental activities.

In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets, the governmental activities are presented on a consolidated basis and are reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The Township's net assets are reported in three parts – invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted net assets; and unrestricted net assets. The Township first utilizes restricted resources to finance qualifying activities.

The government-wide Statement of Activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the Township's functions. The functions are also supported by general government revenues (property, sales and use taxes, certain intergovernmental revenues, fines, permits and charges, etc.) The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues, operating and capital grants. Program revenues must be directly associated with the function. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants while the capital grants column reflects capital-specific grants. The net costs (by function or business-type activity) are normally covered by general revenue.

The government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the Township as an entity and the change in the Township's net assets resulting from the current year's activities. For the most part, the effect of interfund activities has been removed from these statements.

#### **NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):**

#### (3) BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial transactions of the Township are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund equity, revenues and expenditures/expenses. The various funds are reported by generic classification within the financial statements.

The following fund types are used by the Township:

#### Governmental Funds:

The focus of the governmental funds' measurement (in the fund statements) is upon determination of financial position (sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. The following is a description of the major governmental funds of the Township:

- **General Fund** General Fund is the general operating fund and, accordingly, it is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- **Fire Fund** Fire Fund is a Special Revenue Fund type used to account for financial resources to be used for the expenditures related to Fire protection services.
- Rubbish Collection Fund Rubbish Collection fund is a Special Revenue Fund type used to account for financial resources to be used for the expenditure of garbage collection.

#### **Proprietary Funds**

There are no Proprietary Funds in use.

#### Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds are used to report assets held in a trustee or agency capacity for others and therefore are not available to support Township programs. The agency fund is custodial in nature and does not present results of operations or have a measurement focus.

#### Permanent Funds

Permanent Funds are used to account for resources that are legally restricted to the extent that only earnings, and not principal, may be used for purposes that support the reporting government's programs—that is, for the benefit of the government or its citizenry.

The emphasis in fund financial statements is on the major funds in either the governmental or business-type activities categories. Nonmajor funds by category are summarized into a single column. GASB Statement No. 34 sets forth minimum criteria (percentage of the assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expenses of either fund category or the governmental and enterprise combined) for the determination of major funds.

The Township reports the following major governmental funds:

- The General Fund is the Township's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- The Fire Fund is a Special Revenue Fund type used to account for financial resources to be used for the expenditures related to Fire protection services.

#### **NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):**

 The Rubbish Collection Fund is a Special Revenue Fund type used to account for financial resources to be used for the expenditure of garbage collection.

The Township's fiduciary funds are presented in the fiduciary fund financial statements by type (agency). Since by definition these assets are being held for the benefit of a third party (other local governments, private parties, etc.) and cannot be used to address activities or obligations of the Township, these funds are not incorporated into the government-wide statements.

#### (4) BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Basis of accounting refers to the point at which revenues or expenditures/expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. It relates to the timing of the measurements made regardless of the measurement focus applied.

#### Accrual

The governmental in the government-wide financial statements and the proprietary and fiduciary fund financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenues as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

#### Modified Accrual

The governmental funds financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when they are both measurable and available. "Available" means collectible within the current period or within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred. However, debt service expenditures, compensated absences, and claims and judgments are recorded only when payment is due.

#### (5) FINANCIAL STATEMENT AMOUNTS

**Budgets and Budgetary Accounting** – The Township follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- a. The Township Supervisor submits to the Township Board of Trustees a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following April, 1st. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- b. Numerous opportunities exist for public comment during the budget process including at least two formal public hearings conducted at the Township Hall to obtain taxpayer comment.
- c. Pursuant to statute, prior to March 31, of each year the budget for the ensuing year is legally enacted through adoption of an Annual General Appropriations Act.

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

- d. The general statute governing Township budgetary activity is the State of Michigan Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act. In additional to the provisions of the said Act and Board policy, general statements concerning the Board's intent regarding the administration of each year's budget are set out in the Annual General Appropriations Act. The Township Board of Trustees, through policy action, specifically directs the Supervisor not to authorize or participate in any expenditure of funds except as authorized by the Annual General Appropriations Act. The Board recognized that, in addition to possible Board sanctions for willful disregard of this policy, State statutes provide for civil liability for violations of the Annual General Appropriations Act.
- e. The Supervisor is authorized by means of Township policy to make certain transfers:

The Supervisor receives a request for a budget transfer from the head of the department whose budget is to be affected. Such request must specify the necessity for the transfer, the account name and/or groups(s) and amount to be affected within prescribed limitations. Transfers in excess of those limitations must be approved by the Board of Trustees.

- 1. The following considerations must be reviewed in determination of transfer approvals.
  - a. Are the transfers consistent with the intent of the Board of Trustees in adopting the annual budget?
  - b. Will the transfer maintain the financial integrity of the Township?
  - c. Will the transfer provide a reasonable solution to the Departmental operating problem?

Considering the above, the Supervisor will then decide whether or not the transfer should be made.

Supplemental appropriations are submitted to and reviewed by the Supervisor and submitted to the Township Board of Trustees for their review and approval. If approved, they are implemented by the Supervisor through a budget revision.

- f. The Township adopts its Annual Budget on a departmental basis. At each level of detail, governmental operations are summarized into expenditure account groups. Funding sources are also identified and adopted at each level of detail. Budgetary control exists at the most detailed level adopted by the Board of Trustees, i.e., department for analytical purposes. A detailed line item breakdown is prepared for each program. Accounting, i.e., classification control, resides at the line item detail level.
- g. Budgets for the General Funds were adopted in substance on an accrual basis which is consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.
   Budgeted amounts as reported in the Financial Report are as originally adopted and/or amended by the Township Board of Trustees.

#### NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

**Cash Equivalents and Investments** – For the purposes of balance sheet classification and the statement of cash flows, cash and equivalents consist of demand deposits, cash in savings, money market accounts and short-term certificates of deposit with original maturity of three months or less. Investments are carried at fair value.

**Receivables** – All trade and property tax receivables/payable are shown as net of allowance for uncollectible amounts.

**Capital Assets** – Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment and infrastructure assets (e.g. streets, bridges, and sidewalks), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Township as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of five years.

All capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. Donated capital assets are valued at their fair value on the date donated. Depreciation on all exhaustible capital assets is charged as an expense against their operations in government-wide statements

and proprietary financial statements. Accumulated depreciation is reported on government-wide and proprietary statement of net assets. Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Land improvements 15 years

Building, structures and improvements 40 years

Equipment 5 years

**Long-Term Liabilities** – In the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities and business-type activities or proprietary fund type statement of net assets. In the fund financial statements, the face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources.

**Estimates** – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires the use of estimates and assumptions that affect the reporting of certain assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenditures. Actual results may differ from estimated amounts.

**Property Taxes** – Property taxes are levied as of December 1 of each year and are due by the last day of the following March. The taxes are collected by the local unit and periodically remitted to the third parties during the collection period.

**Deferred Revenues** – Deferred revenues are those where asset recognition criteria have been met, but for which revenue recognition criteria have not been met.

#### NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued):

Interfund Activity – Interfund activity is reported as loans, services provided, reimbursements or transfers. Loans are reported as interfund receivables and payables as appropriate and are subject to elimination upon consolidation. Services provided, deemed to be at market or near market rates, are treated as revenues and expenditures/expenses. Reimbursements occur when one fund incurs a cost, charges the appropriate benefiting fund and reduces its related cost as a result of the reimbursement. All other interfund transactions are treated as transfers. Transfers between governmental or proprietary funds are netted as part of the reconciliation to the government-wide financial statements.

#### NOTE B - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS:

#### Cash Equivalents

As of March 31, 2008, the Township's cash and cash equivalents and investments were reported in the basic financial statements in the following categories:

	Governmental	Fiduciary	Total Primary
	Activities	Funds	Government
Cash and equivalents	\$624,073	\$5,748	\$629,821
Investments	-	-	-
	\$624,073	\$5,748	\$629,821

#### Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Township's deposits may not be returned to it. State law does not require and the Township does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. The carrying amounts of the Township's deposits with financial institutions were \$629,821 and the bank balance was \$630,194 bank balance is categorized as follows:

Amount insured by the FDIC	\$105,837
Amount uncollateralized and uninsured	524,357
	\$630,194

#### Investments

As of March 31, 2008, the Township did not have any investments.

#### Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of the Township's investments. The Township does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

#### Credit Risk

Michigan statutes (Act 196, PA 1997) authorize the Township to invest in bonds, other direct obligations and repurchase agreements of the United States, certificates of deposits, savings accounts, deposit accounts or receipts of a bank which is a member of the FDIC and authorized to operate in this state, commercial paper rated at the time of purchase within the two highest classifications established by not less than two standard rating services and matures within 270 days from date of purchase, bankers' acceptances of the United States banks, obligations of the

#### **NOTE B – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued):**

State of Michigan and its political subdivisions, external investment pools, and certain mutual funds. Michigan law prohibits security in the form of collateral, surety bond, or another form for the deposit of public money.

The Township has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices. Ratings are not required for the Township's investment in U.S. Government Agencies or equity-type funds. The Township's investments are in accordance with statutory authority.

#### Concentration of Credit Risk

The Township places no limit on the amount the Township may invest in any one issuer. There were no investments subject to concentration of credit risk disclosure.

#### **NOTE C - CAPITAL ASSETS:**

A summary of the capital assets of the Governmental Activities is as follows:

	Balance at March 31,	0 -1 -1141	Diamagala	Balance at March 31,
<u>-</u>	2007	Additions	Disposals	2008
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES:				
Land	\$360,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$360,000
Total Capital Assets, not being depreciated	360,000	-		\$360,000
Buildings and improvements	523,392	6,918	-	530,310
Furniture and equipment	663,100	-	-	663,100
Total Capital Assets, being depreciated	1,186,492	<u> </u>		1,193,410
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Buildings and improvements	(199,175)	(12,718)	-	(211,893)
Furniture and equipment	(561,190)	(17,160)	-	(578,350)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(760,365)	(29,878)		(790,243)
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$786,127	\$(22,960)	\$ -	\$763,167

Depreciation expenses for the governmental activities were charged to the following functions and activities of the primary government:

Unallocated Depreciation		\$29,878
	Total	\$29,878

#### **NOTE D - LONG-TERM DEBT:**

Changes in long term debt principal during the period ended March 31, 2008 are summarized as follows:

	April 1, 2007	Additions	Subtractions	March 31, 2008	Due Within One Year
Fire Truck Note #2	\$61,212	<u>\$-</u>	\$9,011	\$52,201	\$9,456
TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT LONG-TERM DEBT	\$105,846	\$-	\$9,011	\$52,201	\$9,456

#### FIRE TRUCK NOTE #2

A Fire Truck was purchased on June 27, 2002 for \$123,201 with an interest rate of 4.95%, with \$30,000 due at purchase with 10 annual payments of \$12,041 due in June of each year.

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2008	\$9,456	\$2,585	\$12,041
2009	9,924	2,117	12,041
2010	10,416	1,625	12,041
2011	10,931	1,110	12,041
2012	11,474	567	12,041
Total	\$52,201	\$8,004	\$60,205

#### **NOTE E – PROPERTY TAXES:**

The Township's property tax is levied on each December 1<sup>st</sup> on the taxable valuation of property (as defined by State statutes) located in the Township as of the preceding December 31<sup>st</sup>.

Although the Township's 2007 ad valorem tax is levied and collectible on December 1, 2007, it is the Township's policy to recognize revenue from the current tax levy in the current year when the proceeds of this levy are budgeted and made "available" for the financing of operations. "Available" means collected within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period (60) days.

The 2007 taxable valuation of the Township totaled \$52,411,798, on which ad valorem taxes levied consisted of .7482 mills for the Township's operation purposes, 1.0000 mils for the Township's rubbish collection and 2.7862 mills for the Township's fire department operations. These amounts are recognized in the General Fund, Rubbish Collection Fund, and Fire Fund financial statements as revenue.

#### **NOTE F - CONTINGENT LIABILITIES:**

<u>Risk Management</u> – The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Township has obtained commercial insurance to handle its risk of loss.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### **GENERAL FUND**

#### BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

	E Origi	Budgeted	l Amo	unts Final		Actual (GAAP	Fin F	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)	
REVENUES:	Origi	IIIai		ГПа		Basis)	(11	egalive)	
Taxes	\$ 4	18,016	\$	48,016	\$	69,987	\$	21,971	
Licenses and Permits		,	·	-	·	-	·	-	
Federal Sources		-		-		-		-	
State Sources	8	30,322		80,322		83,067		2,745	
Contributions From Local Sources						-		-	
Charges for Services		7,500		7,500		3,396		(4,104)	
Fines and Forfeitures Interest and Rents		3,000		3,000		- 8,692		5,692	
Other Revenue		5,500		5,500		8,868		3,368	
Other Revenue	-	0,000		3,300		0,000		3,300	
TOTAL REVENUES	14	14,338		144,338		174,010		29,672	
EXPENDITURES:									
Legislative		6,600		6,600		5,541		1,059	
Judicial		-		-		-		-	
General Government	13	33,775		133,775		82,175		51,600	
Public Safety		-		· -		-		-	
Public Works	4	14,000		44,000		20,330		23,670	
Health and Welfare		-		-		-		-	
Community and Economic Development		19,250		19,250		10,496		8,754	
Recreation and Culture		20,000		20,000		14,607		5,393	
Other Functions Capital Outlay	3	30,600		30,600		21,612		8,988	
Debt Service				_		-		-	
Debt Service							-		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	25	54,225		254,225		154,761		99,464	
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER									
(UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(10	09,887)		(109,887)		19,249		129,136	
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OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):									
Operating Transfer In		-		-		-		-	
Operating Transfer (Out)						-			
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				-					
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(10	09,887)		(109,887)		19,249		129,136	
HET CHANGE IN TONE BALANCE	(10	,,,,,,,,		(100,007)		15,275		120,100	
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	22	27,231		227,231		227,231			
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$ 11	17,344	\$	117,344	\$	246,480	\$	129,136	
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#### FIRE FUND

#### BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

		Budgeted Original	I Amo	unts Final		Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)	
REVENUES: Taxes	\$	143,800	\$	143,800	\$	149,433	\$	5,633
Licenses and Permits Federal Sources	·	2,000	·	2,000	Ť	-	·	(2,000)
State Sources		-		-		-		-
Contributions From Local Sources Charges for Services		-		-		- 11,955		- 11,955
Fines and Forfeitures		-		-		-		-
Interest and Rents Other Revenue	-	2,000		2,000	-	7,216 9,225		5,216 9,225
TOTAL REVENUES		147,800		147,800		177,829		30,029
EXPENDITURES:								
Legislative Judicial		-		-		-		-
Elections		_		-		-		-
General Government		-		-		70.040		-
Public Safety Public Works		117,778 -		117,778 -		79,248 -		38,530 -
Health and Welfare		-		-		-		-
Community and Economic Development Recreation and Culture		-		-		-		-
Other Functions		-		-		-		-
Capital Outlay Debt Service		60,000		60,000		- 12,041		- 47,959
TOTAL EVEN (1971)		477.770						20.400
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		177,778		177,778		91,289		86,489
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		(29,978)		(29,978)		86,540		116,518
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Operating Transfer In		_		_		_		_
Operating Transfer (Out)								
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		<u> </u>				<u> </u>		
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(29,978)		(29,978)		86,540		116,518
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		201,730		201,730		201,730		
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	171,752	\$	171,752	\$	288,270	\$	116,518

#### **RUBBISH COLLECTION FUND**

#### **BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE**

	 Budgeted Original	Amou	unts Final	Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)	
REVENUES: Taxes	\$ 49,500	\$	49,500	\$ 53,971	\$	4,471
Licenses and Permits Federal Sources	, <u>-</u>		, -	-		-
State Sources	-		-	-		-
Contributions From Local Sources	-		-	-		-
Charges for Services Fines and Forfeitures	-		-	-		-
Interest and Rents Other Revenue	 2,500		2,500	 6,000 613		3,500 613
TOTAL REVENUES	 52,000		52,000	 60,584		8,584
EXPENDITURES:						
Legislative Judicial	-		-	-		-
Elections	-		-	-		-
General Government Public Safety	-		-	-		-
Public Works	123,000		123,000	112,768		10,232
Health and Welfare	-		-	-		-
Community and Economic Development Recreation and Culture	-		-	-		-
Other Functions	-		-	-		-
Capital Outlay Debt Service	 			 <u> </u>		<u> </u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	 123,000		123,000	112,768		10,232
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	 (71,000)		(71,000)	 (52,184)		18,816
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Operating Transfer In	_		-	-		_
Operating Transfer (Out)	 -		-	 -		
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	 			 		
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(71,000)		(71,000)	(52,184)		18,816
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	 187,297		187,297	 187,297		
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$ 116,297	\$	116,297	\$ 135,113	\$	18,816

OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### **GENERAL FUND**

#### BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

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State Sources	8	30,322		80,322		83,067		2,745	
Contributions From Local Sources						-		-	
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TOTAL REVENUES	14	14,338		144,338		174,010		29,672	
EXPENDITURES:									
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Judicial		-		-		-		-	
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Public Safety		-		· -		-		-	
Public Works	4	14,000		44,000		20,330		23,670	
Health and Welfare		-		-		-		-	
Community and Economic Development		19,250		19,250		10,496		8,754	
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Debt Service							-		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	25	54,225		254,225		154,761		99,464	
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER									
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OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):									
Operating Transfer In		-		-		-		-	
Operating Transfer (Out)						-			
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				-					
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(10	09,887)		(109,887)		19,249		129,136	
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State Sources		-		-		-		-
Contributions From Local Sources Charges for Services		-		-		- 11,955		- 11,955
Fines and Forfeitures		-		-		-		-
Interest and Rents Other Revenue	-	2,000		2,000	-	7,216 9,225		5,216 9,225
TOTAL REVENUES		147,800		147,800		177,829		30,029
EXPENDITURES:								
Legislative Judicial		-		-		-		-
Elections		_		-		-		-
General Government		-		-		70.040		-
Public Safety Public Works		117,778 -		117,778 -		79,248 -		38,530 -
Health and Welfare		-		-		-		-
Community and Economic Development Recreation and Culture		-		-		-		-
Other Functions		-		-		-		-
Capital Outlay Debt Service		60,000		60,000		- 12,041		- 47,959
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NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(29,978)		(29,978)		86,540		116,518
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		201,730		201,730		201,730		
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	171,752	\$	171,752	\$	288,270	\$	116,518

#### **RUBBISH COLLECTION FUND**

#### **BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE**

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Licenses and Permits Federal Sources	, <u>-</u>		, -	-		-
State Sources	-		-	-		-
Contributions From Local Sources	-		-	-		-
Charges for Services Fines and Forfeitures	-		-	-		-
Interest and Rents Other Revenue	 2,500		2,500	 6,000 613		3,500 613
TOTAL REVENUES	 52,000		52,000	 60,584		8,584
EXPENDITURES:						
Legislative Judicial	-		-	-		-
Elections	-		-	-		-
General Government Public Safety	-		-	-		-
Public Works	123,000		123,000	112,768		10,232
Health and Welfare	-		-	-		-
Community and Economic Development Recreation and Culture	-		-	-		-
Other Functions	-		-	-		-
Capital Outlay Debt Service	 			 <u> </u>		<u> </u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	 123,000		123,000	112,768		10,232
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	 (71,000)		(71,000)	 (52,184)		18,816
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Operating Transfer In	_		-	-		_
Operating Transfer (Out)	 -		-	 -		
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	 			 		
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(71,000)		(71,000)	(52,184)		18,816
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	 187,297		187,297	 187,297		
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$ 116,297	\$	116,297	\$ 135,113	\$	18,816

## OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS GENERAL FUND

### SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE $\cdot$ BUDGET AND ACTUAL

		Budget		Actual		Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
REVENUES:			Juagot	-	Hotaai	(0111	avoiable)
Taxes: Current Levy Commercial Forest Reserve		\$	38,500	\$	35,240 9,101	\$	(3,260) 9,101
Swamp Tax Delinquent Taxes Tax Collection Fees			31 - 9,485		31 5,657 19,958		- 10,473
Tax Collection Fees	Total Taxes		48,016		69,987		16,314
State Sources: State Revenue Sharing Metro Act			80,322		80,674 2,393		352 2,393
	<b>Total State Sources</b>		80,322		83,067		2,745
Local Sources: Grants					<u>-</u>		
	Total Local Sources						
Charges for Services: Miscellaneous Services	Total Charges for Services		7,500 7,500		3,396 3,396		(4,104) (4,104)
	Total Ollarges for Octivioes		7,500		0,000	-	(4,104)
Interest: Investment Interest Rental Income	Total Interest		2,500 500 3,000		7,687 1,005 8,692		5,187 505 5,692
Oil D							
Other Revenue: Other Revenue	Total Other Revenue TOTAL REVENUES		5,500 5,500 144,338		8,868 8,868 174,010		3,368 3,368 24,015
EXPENDITURES: Legislative:							
Township Board Personal Services Supplies Other Services and Charge Capital Outlay Debt Service			6,600		5,541 -		1,059 -
	es		-		-		-
	Total Township Board Total Legislative		6,600 6,600		5,541 5,541		1,059 1,059

#### MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS GENERAL FUND

### SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE $\cdot$ BUDGET AND ACTUAL

		Budget		Actual		Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
General Government: Supervisor: Personal Services		\$	20,100	\$	8,312	\$	11,788
Supplies Other Services and Charges Capital Outlay		Ť	-	·	2,260	·	(2,260)
Debt Service	Total Supervisor		20,100		10,572		9,528
Clerk: Personal Services Supplies Other Services and Charges Capital Outlay Debt Service			17,400 - - - -		9,420 904 2,090		7,980 (904) (2,090)
2001 0011100	Total Clerk		17,400		12,414		4,986
Elections: Personal Services Supplies Other Services and Charges Capital Outlay Debt Service	Total Elections		4,600 - - - - - 4,600		915 109 760 - - 1,784		3,685 (109) (760) - - 2,816
Board of Review: Personal Services Supplies Other Services and Charges Capital Outlay Debt Service	Total Board of Review		2,400 - 2,400		1,180 - - 1,180		1,220 - - - 1,220
Treasurer: Personal Services Supplies Other Services and Charges Capital Outlay Debt Service	Total Treasurer		25,025 - - - - 25,025		9,420 1,996 8,486 - 19,902		15,605 (1,996) (8,486) - - - 5,123

#### MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS GENERAL FUND

### SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE $\cdot$ BUDGET AND ACTUAL

Personal Services   \$   \$   \$   \$   \$   \$   \$   \$   \$			Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Supplies	Assessor:				
Other Services and Charges         24,800         20,725         4,075           Capital Outlay         -         -         -         -           Debt Service         Total Assessor         24,800         21,619         3,181           Building and Grounds:         Personal Services         25,950         5,264         20,686           Supplies         -         -         -         -         -           Other Services and Charges         -         7,005         (7,005)         - <t< td=""><td></td><td></td><td>\$ -</td><td></td><td>*</td></t<>			\$ -		*
Capital Outlay			-		
Debt Service		3	24,800	20,725	4,075
Building and Grounds:   Personal Services   25,950   5,264   20,686     Supplies			-	-	-
Building and Grounds:   Personal Services   25,950   5,264   20,686     Supplies   -   -   -     Other Services and Charges   -   7,005   (7,005)     Capital Outlay   -   -   -     Debt Service   -   -   -     Total Building and Grounds   25,950   12,269   13,681     Cemetery:   Personal Services   -   -   -     Supplies   -   -   -     Other Services and Charges   13,500   2,435   11,065     Capital Outlay   -   -   -     Debt Service   Total Cemetery   13,500   2,435   11,065     Capital Outlay   -   -   -     Debt Service   Total General Government   133,775   82,175   51,600     Public Works:   Streets:   Personal Services   -   -     Capital Outlay   35,000   11,932   23,068     Debt Service   -   -   -     Capital Outlay   35,000   11,932   23,068     Streetlight:   Personal Services   -   -   -     Capital Outlay   35,000   11,932   23,068     Streetlight:   Personal Services   -   -   -     Capital Outlay   35,000   11,932   23,068     Streetlight:   Personal Services   -   -   -     Capital Outlay   35,000   11,932   23,068     Streetlight:   Personal Services   -   -   -     Capital Outlay   -   -   -     Debt Service   9,000   8,398   602     Capital Outlay   -   -   -     Debt Service   -   -   -     Debt Service   -   -   -     Total Streetlight   9,000   8,398   602	Debt Service	Tatal Assessed	- 04.000	- 04.040	- 0.404
Personal Services         25,950         5,264         20,686           Supplies         -         -         -           Other Services and Charges         -         7,005         (7,005)           Capital Outlay         -         -         -           Debt Service         -         -         -         -           Total Building and Grounds         25,950         12,269         13,681           Cemetery:           Personal Services         -         -         -         -           Supplies         -         -         -         -         -           Other Services and Charges         13,500         2,435         11,065         -		Total Assessor	24,800	21,619	3,181
Personal Services         25,950         5,264         20,686           Supplies         -         -         -           Other Services and Charges         -         7,005         (7,005)           Capital Outlay         -         -         -           Debt Service         -         -         -         -           Total Building and Grounds         25,950         12,269         13,681           Cemetery:           Personal Services         -         -         -         -           Supplies         -         -         -         -         -           Other Services and Charges         13,500         2,435         11,065         -	Building and Grounds:				
Other Services and Charges         7,005         (7,005)           Capital Outlay         - <td< td=""><td></td><td></td><td>25,950</td><td>5,264</td><td>20,686</td></td<>			25,950	5,264	20,686
Capital Outlay   Debt Service   Total Building and Grounds   Z5,950   12,269   13,681	Supplies		- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		-
Debt Service	Other Services and Charges	3	-	7,005	(7,005)
Total Building and Grounds   25,950   12,269   13,681	Capital Outlay		-	-	-
Cemetery:   Personal Services   -   -   -   -     Supplies   -   -   -     Other Services and Charges   13,500   2,435   11,065     Capital Outlay   -   -   -     Debt Service   Total Cemetery   13,500   2,435   11,065     Total General Government   133,775   82,175   51,600      Public Works:   Streets:       Personal Services   -   -   -     Supplies   -   -   -     Capital Outlay   35,000   11,932   23,068     Streetlight:   Personal Services   -   -     Capital Outlay   35,000   11,932   23,068     Streetlight:   Personal Services   -   -     Capital Outlay   35,000   11,932   23,068     Streetlight:   Personal Services   -   -     Capital Outlay   35,000   11,932   23,068     Streetlight:   -   -     Capital Outlay   -   -     Capital Outlay   -   -     Debt Service   -   -     Capital Outlay   -       Capital Outlay   -       Capital Outlay   -       Capital Outlay   -       Capital Outlay   -       Capital Outlay   -       Capital Outlay   -       Capital Outlay   -       Capital Outlay   -       Capital Outlay   -       Capital Outlay   -       Capital Outlay   -       Capital Outlay   -       Capital Outlay   -       Capital Outlay   -       Capital Outlay   -       Capital Outlay   -       Capital Outlay					
Personal Services		Total Building and Grounds	25,950	12,269	13,681
Supplies         -<					
Other Services and Charges         13,500         2,435         11,065           Capital Outlay         -         -         -           Debt Service         Total Cemetery         13,500         2,435         11,065           Total General Government         133,775         82,175         51,600           Public Works:           Streets:           Personal Services         -         -         -           Supplies         -         -         -         -           Capital Outlay         35,000         11,932         23,068           Streetlight:           Personal Services         -         -         -         -           Streetlight:         -         -         -         -         -         -           Streetlight:         - <t< td=""><td></td><td></td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td></t<>			-	-	-
Capital Outlay Debt Service         -<			-	- 0.405	-
Total Cemetery   13,500   2,435   11,065		3	13,500	2,435	11,065
Total Cemetery   13,500   2,435   11,065			-	-	-
Public Works:         Streets:         Streets:         Streets:         Supplies         -	Debt Service	Total Cemetery	13 500	2 435	11 065
Public Works:         Streets:         Personal Services       -       <		Total Comotory	10,000	2,100	11,000
Streets:         Personal Services       -       -       -         Supplies       -       -       -         Other Services and Charges       -       -       -       -         Capital Outlay       35,000       11,932       23,068         Debt Service       -       -       -       -       -         Streetlight:       - <td< td=""><td></td><td>Total General Government</td><td>133,775</td><td>82,175</td><td>51,600</td></td<>		Total General Government	133,775	82,175	51,600
Personal Services         -         -         -           Supplies         -         -         -           Other Services and Charges         -         -         -           Capital Outlay         35,000         11,932         23,068           Debt Service         -         -         -           Total Streets         35,000         11,932         23,068           Streetlight:         -         -         -           Personal Services         -         -         -         -           Supplies         -         -         -         -         -           Other Services and Charges         9,000         8,398         602           Capital Outlay         -         -         -         -           Debt Service         -         -         -         -         -           Total Streetlight         9,000         8,398         602	Public Works:				
Supplies         -<					
Other Services and Charges         - </td <td></td> <td></td> <td>-</td> <td>-</td> <td>-</td>			-	-	-
Capital Outlay         35,000         11,932         23,068           Debt Service         -         -         -           Total Streets         35,000         11,932         23,068           Streetlight:           Personal Services         -         -         -           Supplies         -         -         -           Other Services and Charges         9,000         8,398         602           Capital Outlay         -         -         -           Debt Service         -         -         -         -           Total Streetlight         9,000         8,398         602			-	-	-
Debt Service         - <t< td=""><td></td><td>3</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td></t<>		3	-	-	-
Streetlight:         Total Streets         35,000         11,932         23,068           Personal Services         -         -         -         -           Supplies         -         -         -         -           Other Services and Charges         9,000         8,398         602           Capital Outlay         -         -         -         -           Debt Service         -         -         -         -         -           Total Streetlight         9,000         8,398         602			35,000	11,932	23,068
Streetlight:           Personal Services         -         -         -           Supplies         -         -         -           Other Services and Charges         9,000         8,398         602           Capital Outlay         -         -         -         -           Debt Service         -         -         -         -         -           Total Streetlight         9,000         8,398         602	Debt Service	Total Streets	35,000	11 932	23.068
Personal Services         -         -         -           Supplies         -         -         -           Other Services and Charges         9,000         8,398         602           Capital Outlay         -         -         -         -           Debt Service         -         -         -         -         -           Total Streetlight         9,000         8,398         602	Streetlight:	rotal otrects	33,000	11,552	20,000
Other Services and Charges         9,000         8,398         602           Capital Outlay         -         -         -           Debt Service         -         -         -           Total Streetlight         9,000         8,398         602			_	_	_
Capital Outlay         -	Supplies		_	_	_
Debt Service         -         -         -         -           Total Streetlight         9,000         8,398         602	Other Services and Charges	3	9,000	8,398	602
Total Streetlight 9,000 8,398 602	Capital Outlay		-	-	-
	Debt Service				
Total Public Works 44,000 20,330 23,670		=			
		Total Public Works	44,000	20,330	23,670

## MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS GENERAL FUND

# SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE $\cdot$ BUDGET AND ACTUAL

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Community and Economic Development:			
Zoning: Personal Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Supplies	Ψ -	Ψ -	Ψ -
Other Services and Charges	18,500	10,496	8,004
Capital Outlay	-	-	-
Debt Service	40.500	40.400	- 0.004
Total Zoning	18,500	10,496	8,004
Community Action:			
Personal Services	-	-	-
Supplies	-	-	-
Other Services and Charges	750	-	750
Capital Outlay  Debt Service			-
Total Community Action	750		750
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Total Community and Economic Development	19,250	10,496	8,754
Recreation and Culture:  Recreation Department:			
Personal Services Supplies	-		-
Other Services and Charges	20,000	14,607	5,393
Capital Outlay	-	-	-
Debt Service	_	_	
Total Recreation Department	20,000	14,607	5,393
Total Recreation and Culture	20,000	14,607	5,393
Other Functions:			
Fringe Benefits	4,000	7,145	(3,145)
Insurance and Bonds	15,000	11,463	3,537
Other Services and Charges	11,500	3,004	8,496
Capital Outlay	100	21,612	100
Total Other Functions	30,600	21,612	8,988
Total Other Functions	30,600	21,612	8,988
TOTAL EXPENDITURES EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER	254,225	154,761	99,464
(UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(109,887)	19,249	123,479

## MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS GENERAL FUND

# SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE $\cdot$ BUDGET AND ACTUAL

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Operating Transfer In Operating Transfer (Out)		Budget	Actual		Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
		-	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	- -
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(109,887)		19,249		123,479
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		227,231		227,231		
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	117,344	\$	246,480	\$	123,479

#### MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FIRE FUND

# SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

	For the Year Er	nded I	March 31, 200	8			
					Variance		
		Developed		A a41		Favorable	
DEVENUEO.			Budget Actual		(Unfavorable)		
REVENUES: Taxes:							
Current Levy		\$	143,800	\$	131,363	\$	(12,437)
Commercial Forest R	eserve	•	-	•	2,996	•	2,996
<b>Delinquent Taxes</b>					15,074		15,074
	Total Taxes		143,800		149,433		5,633
Federal Sources:			0.000				(0.000)
Grant	Total Federal Sources		2,000 2,000	-			(2,000)
	Total Federal Sources	-	2,000	-	<u> </u>		(2,000)
Charges for Services:							
Fire Services			-		11,955		11,955
	Total Charges for Services		-		11,955		11,955
Interest:			0.000		7.040		5.040
Investment Interest	Total Interest		2,000 2,000		7,216 7,216		5,216 5,216
	Total interest		2,000		7,210		5,210
Other Revenue:							
Other Revenue			-		9,225		9,225
	Total Other Revenue		-		9,225		9,225
	TOTAL REVENUES		147,800		177,829		30,029
EXPENDITURES: Public Safety: Fire Department:							
Personal Services	S		15,300		17,605		(2,305)
Supplies	od Charres		78		40.000		78
Other Services ar Capital Outlay	id Charges		84,400 18,000		48,263 13,380		36,137 4,620
Debt Service			60,000		12,041		47,959
2001 00.1.00	Total Fire Department		177,778		91,289		86,489
	·						
	Total Public Safety		177,778		91,289		86,489
	TOTAL EVENINITURES		477 770		04.000		00.400
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES		177,778		91,289		86,489
EX	CESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		(29,978)		86,540		116,518
OTHER EINANGING	OUDOEC (UCEO).						
OTHER FINANCING S  Operating Transfer In							
Operating Transfer (C							_
Operating Transfer (C	Sulf	-					
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			-		-		-
	, ,				,		
NET (	CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(29,978)		86,540		116,518
Found Dalasses Deed 1			004 700		004 700		
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year			201,730		201,730		-
FUN	ID BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	171,752	\$	288,270	\$	116,518

# MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS RUBBISH COLLECTION FUND

# SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

		Budget		 Actual		Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
REVENUES:							
Taxes: Current Levy Commercial Forest Reserv	ve	\$	48,500 1,000	\$ 47,315 1,075	\$	(1,185) 75	
Delinquent Taxes			_	 5,581		5,581	
	Total Taxes		49,500	 53,971		4,471	
Interest: Investment Interest			2,500	6,000		3,500	
	Total Interest		2,500	6,000		3,500	
Other Revenue: Other Revenue	Total Other Revenue		-	613 613		613 613	
	TOTAL REVENUES		F2 000	60 E94		0 504	
	IOIAL REVENUES		52,000	 60,584	-	8,584	
EXPENDITURES: Public Works: Sanitation: Personal Services			_	_		_	
Supplies			-	-		-	
Other Services and Ch	narges		123,000	112,768		10,232	
Capital Outlay			-	-		-	
Debt Service				 		-	
	Total Sanitation		123,000	 112,768		10,232	
	Total Public Works		123,000	 112,768		10,232	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES		123,000	112,768		10,232	
	S OF REVENUES OVER INDER) EXPENDITURES		(71,000)	(52,184)		18,816	
OTHER FINANCING SOUR Operating Transfer In Operating Transfer (Out)	CES (USES):		-	 <u>-</u>		- -	
TOTAL OTHER FINANCI	NG SOURCES (USES)		_				
NET CHAI	NGE IN FUND BALANCE		(71,000)	(52,184)		18,816	
Fund Balance, Beginning of	Year		187,297	187,297			
FUND B	ALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	116,297	\$ 135,113	\$	18,816	

# FIDUCIARY FUNDS

# **COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS**

# March 31, 2008

		TRUST & AGENCY FUND		TAX COLLECTION FUND		TOTAL	
ASSETS: Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	1,420	\$	4,328	\$	5,748	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	1,420	\$	4,328	\$	5,748	
LIABILITIES:  Due to Other Funds  Due to Other Governmental Units	\$	- 1,420	\$	4,328	\$	- 5,748	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	1,420	\$	4,328	\$	5,748	

**COMPLIANCE SUPPLEMENTS** 

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## REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Honorable Supervisor and Members of the Township Board of Trustees Township of AuTrain, Michigan

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of AuTrain, Michigan, as of and for the year ended March 31, 2008, which collectively comprise the Township of AuTrain, Michigan's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated October 27, 2008. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

## Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Township of AuTrain, Michigan's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township of AuTrain, Michigan's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Township of AuTrain, Michigan's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Township of AuTrain, Michigan's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Township of AuTrain, Michigan's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Township of AuTrain, Michigan's internal control. We consider the deficiencies listed as 08-01, 08-02, 08-03, and 08-04, described in a separate letter to management, dated October 27, 2008, to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Township of AuTrain, Michigan's internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, we believe that none of the significant deficiencies described above is a material weakness.

## Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Township of AuTrain, Michigan's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which are described in a separate letter to management dated October 27, 2008 as items 08-05.

The Township of AuTrain, Michigan's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the separate letter to management. We did not audit The Township of AuTrain, Michigan's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, Board of Trustees, others within the entity, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Anderson, Taekman, & Company, P.L.C. Certified Public Accountants

October 27, 2008

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## Township of AuTrain, Michigan Report to Management Letter For the Year Ended March 31, 2008

Honorable Supervisor and Members of the Township Board of Trustees Township of AuTrain, Michigan

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the Township of AuTrain, Michigan as of and for the year ended March 31, 2008, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Township of AuTrain, Michigan's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Governmental Unit's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Governmental Unit's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or a combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. We consider the following deficiencies to be significant deficiencies in internal control.

## 08-01 – Segregation of Duties

**Condition/Criteria:** The accounting staff of the Township of AuTrain, Michigan is made up of a limited number of staff, which does not allow full segregation of duties.

**Effect:** Because of the limited staff, there is an increased chance that misstatements in financial statements would not be prevented or detected on a timely basis.

**Cause of Condition:** The size of the organization's accounting staff precludes certain internal design controls that would be preferred if the office staffs were large enough to provide optimum segregation of duties.

**Recommendation:** Smaller organizations, due to limited resources, are generally more sensitive to the cost of implementing these design controls and often have compensating controls to partially mitigate this deficiency.

# **Management Response – Corrective Action Plan:**

- Contact Person(s) Responsible for Correction:
  - o Mary Rogers, Clerk
- Corrective Action Planned:
  - The Township Board of Trustees closely monitors all payments and will begin to review the financial statements on a monthly basis.
- Anticipated Completion Date
  - o March 31, 2009

#### 08-02 - CASH RECONCILIATIONS

**Condition/Criteria:** Although the Township of AuTrain, Michigan cash is being reconciled to a subsidiary spreadsheet for monitoring, it is not being reconciled to the general ledger on a monthly basis and not being approved by a separate party. The basis of strength in any system of sound internal control is a strong reconciliation function.

**Effect**: Because the cash accounts are not being reconciled in the general ledger system, there is activity missing from the general ledger during the year and creates a lack of internal controls.

**Cause of Condition:** Failure to properly reconcile the general ledger to the bank accounts and treasurers manual bank reconciliations.

**Recommendation:** We suggest, and good internal control dictates, the general ledger accounts to be reconciled on a monthly basis with the appropriate accounting entries being made to the system even if supplemental activity is being performed. This will insure accurate financial reporting on an interim basis for decision making by the Board of Trustees and management.

## **Management Response – Corrective Action Plan:**

- Contact Person(s) Responsible for Correction:
  - o Mary Rogers, Clerk
- Corrective Action Planned:
  - The Township is planning on incorporating improved cash reconciliation procedures in the coming fiscal year.
- Anticipated Completion Date:
  - o March 31, 2009

## 08-03 - Financial Reporting Cycle

**Condition/Criteria:** The monthly and year end financial reporting package as presented to the Board of Trustees is not fully compliant with the generally accepted accounting principles of reporting.

**Effect:** The lack of a full set of financial statements, including a balance sheet and statement of revenues and expenditures, results in the Board of Trustees' inability to determine the funds' financial positions.

**Cause of Condition:** Failure to include a full set of financial statements in the financial reporting package as presented to the Board of Trustees.

**Recommendation:** The Township should expand the financial reporting package as presented to the Board of Trustees to include the balances sheets and statements of revenue and expenditures to conform to current reporting standards. We also suggest any significant monthly and year end cut-off adjusting entries be incorporated into the financial statements in order to present a clearer picture of the various funds of the Township. The Board of Trustees should document review of the financial affairs in the minutes of the meeting as well as other financial events.

# **Management Response – Corrective Action Plan:**

- Contact Person(s) Responsible for Correction:
  - o Mary Rogers, Clerk
- Corrective Action Planned:
  - The full set of financial statements will be included as part of the financial reporting package as presented to the Board of Trustees and the Board of Trustees will document this review of the financial affairs in the minutes of the meeting as well as other financial events.
- Anticipated Completion Date:
  - o March 31, 2009

## 08-04 - ASSIST IN PREPARING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND FOOTNOTES.

**Condition/Criteria:** Statement on Auditing Standards #112 requires us to communicate in writing when a client requires assistance to prepare the financial statements and footnotes required in the annual audit report in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**Effect:** We assisted management with the external financial reporting responsibility to ensure their financial statements are in accordance with GAAP.

**Cause of Condition:** The staff of the district does not have adequate time to prepare all the information included in the annual financial statements. Therefore, we assisted in the preparing the financial statements and related footnotes.

**Recommendation:** We do not recommend any changes to this situation at this time and communicate this as required by professional standards.

## **Management Response – Corrective Action Plan:**

- Contact Person(s) Responsible for Correction:
  - Mary Rogers, Clerk
- Corrective Action Planned:
  - We are aware of this deficiency and believe it is not cost beneficial in our situation to allocate the time needed to prepare the audit report in the current fiscal year.
- Anticipated Completion Date:
  - o March 31, 2009

## **INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE**

## 08-05 - CHART OF ACCOUNTS (REPEAT)

**Condition/Criteria:** Public Act 2 of 1968, as amended, provides that townships shall use the Uniform Chart of Accounts for Counties and Local Units of Government in Michigan. During the year ended March 31, 2008, the Township did not use any account numbers as required by this act.

**Effect:** The Township is not in compliance with State Law.

**Cause of Condition:** Failure to setup account numbers when setting up their new computer system.

**Recommendation:** The Township should setup their computer system with the account number and name for all accounts in the general ledger.

## Management Response - Corrective Action Plan:

- Contact Person(s) Responsible for Correction:
  - Mary Rogers, Clerk
- Corrective Action Planned:
  - o The Township is planning on incorporating the account numbers into their computer system in the coming fiscal year.
- Anticipated Completion Date:
  - o March 31, 2009

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Anderson, Taekman, & Company, P.L.C.
Certified Public Accountants

October 27, 2008